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SUBJ: LOS: WORKING GROUP 2 OF SUBCOMMITTEE III,

THIRD MEETING, 16 MARCH

1. GREECE MADE GENERAL STATEMENT. WORKING GROUP CANNOT IGNORE CONCLUSIONS OF IMCO'S WORK AND RESULTS OF OCEAN DUMPING CONVENTION. MUCH IN CANADIAN PROPOSALS ARE ADEQUATELY COVERED BY IMCO, ETC. FAVOR DRAFTING GENERAL CONVENTION ON ISSUES NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE. AUSTRALIAN PAPER CAN BE BASIS FOR DISCUSSION.

2. WORKING GROUP CONTINUED DISCUSSION OF BASIC OBLIGATION OF STATES TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT. IN ADDITION TO CANADIAN, AUSTRALIAN, SOVIET AND MALTESE PROPOSALS, (POUCHED SEPARATELY), OTHER SUGGESTIONS WERE PUT FORTH AS FOLLOWS:

UNITED STATES- QUALIFY ANY GENERAL OBLIGATION STATEMENT WITH THE PHRASE QTE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE FOLLOWING ARTICLES. UNQTE.

THAILAND- STATES HAVE THE OBLIGATION TO PROTECT AND UNCLASSIFIED

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PRESERVE THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT, IN PARTICULAR TO PREVENT POLLUTION IN AREAS BEYOND THEIR NATIONAL JURISDICTION

EMANATING FROM ALL SOURCES, INCLUDING LAND- BASED SOURCES,  
WITHIN THEIR NATIONAL JURISDICTION.

NIGERIA- STATES HAVE THE OBLIGATION TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE  
THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT, IN PARTICULAR TO PREVENT POLLUTION  
THAT MAY AFFECT AREAS OUTSIDE THEIR JURISDICTION.

SPAIN- SAME AS US BUT ADD QTE AND IN PARTICULAR TO PREVENT  
POLLUTION THAT MAY EFFECT AREAS OUTSIDE THEIR  
JURISDICTION. UNQTE.

IT WAS AGREED THAT INTERESTED STATES, INCLUDING THOSE WHO  
HAD SUBMITTED PROPOSALS, WOULD MEET INFORMALLY 19 MARCH  
TO DRAFT A JOINT ARTICLE OR ALTERNATIVE ARTICLES ON THE  
BASIC OBLIGATION OF STATES.

3. CANADA SAID SOME OF THEIR PROPOSALS REPRESENT CUSTOMARY  
LAW AND HOPED OTHERS WOULD BECOME CUSTOMARY LAW.

4. AT SUGGESTION OF USSR IT WAS AGREED THAT SECRETARIAT  
WOULD PREPARE COMPARATIVE TABLE OF VARIOUS DRAFT ARTICLES  
PRINCIPLES ON MARINE POLLUTION TO HELP EXPEDITE WORK.  
PROPOSALS INTRODUCED LATER WILL BE ADDED.

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